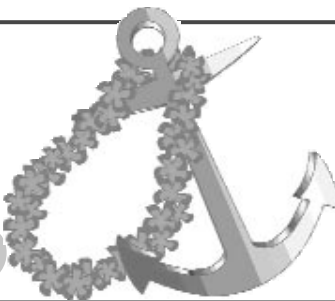


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## IN BRIEF

### USS Russell open for Memorial Day tours at Aloha Tower

USS Russell (DDG 59) will be open to the public for tours Saturday through Monday from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at Aloha Tower Marketplace, pier nine. Call the regional public affairs office at 471-0281 for more details.

### Naval Station hosts blood drive

There will be a blood drive on June 10 from 8 a.m.-noon at the Naval Station Chapel. The goal for the drive is to collect 60 pints. Departments or tenant commands with the best percentage of personnel giving blood for the quarter will receive the traveling trophy for the quarter. For more information, call UT1(SCW) Ricky Jensen at 474-6593.

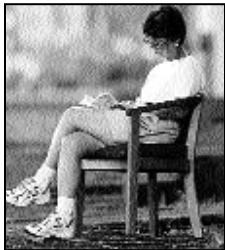
### Sailors, family members should check TRICARE enrollment

Are you and your family enrolled in TRICARE Prime? Are you sure everyone is still enrolled? Take a moment to check that your cards have not expired (remember they are good for one year before you need to renew). Stop by the Branch Medical Clinic Makalapa TRICARE office or call 1-800-242-6788.

### Traffic disruption in Hale Moku continues through June 18

Center Drive will continue to close one lane to traffic until June 18 from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. to allow for excavation of utility lines at Hale Moku housing, from Main St. to South Ave., continuing through the old Pass and I.D. parking lot to the stop sign before Nimitz Gate. The speed limit will be reduced to 5 MPH while crews are working. Drivers are encouraged to seek alternate routes.

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## 'Cherished warriors'



J02 Greg Cleghorne photo

Air Traffic Controller Airman Miguel Garcia spends a solemn moment at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Moving Wall. The traveling, half-sized reproduction of the memorial in Washington, D.C., on display at the USS Arizona Memorial Visitor's Center, will be open to the public, at no cost, 24 hours a day until a scheduled closing ceremony 6 p.m., May 31.

Thousands pay their respects to our fallen heroes

By J02 Greg Cleghorne  
HNN ASSISTANT EDITOR

Some come to see. Some come to honor. And some come to remember. Most stand and stare at some of the 58,213

names inscribed on the polished black wall. Others sob openly, while others carefully take rubbings of the names of those they knew.

Like the stationary memorial in Washington, D.C., the half-size, traveling reproduction, named the Vietnam Veterans Memorial "Moving Wall," has a powerful effect on those who see it.

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## NATO planners double Kosovo peace force

American Forces Press Service

NATO military authorities now say a larger Kosovo peace implementation force will be needed once a peace agreement is reached.

Initially, the force known as "KFOR" was to include about 28,000 NATO troops, and President Clinton said the United States would contribute about 4,000 troops. NATO is now considering a force of 45,000 to 50,000, and the number of U.S. troops would most likely increase as well, Pentagon spokesman Ken Bacon said

here May 19.

Noting that the president has not yet decided on the size of the

U.S. contingent, Bacon said, "I think you could anticipate a proportional increase, which would be in the range of 7,000 or so."

KFOR is still in the planning stages, he stressed. NATO's North Atlantic Council has not approved a final plan. But, considering the amount of devastation that's taken place in Kosovo, a larger force will most likely be necessary.

NATO spokesman Jamie Shea said NATO planners

determining the size of the force must take into account the lack of infrastructure, the number of mines to be removed, the refugee crisis and the need for force protection. No final number has yet been set, but he said there is a sense of urgency within the alliance to finalize KFOR plans.

NATO has already put an enabling force of about 13,000 troops into the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Shea noted. This rapid reaction force would be the leading edge of the peace implementation force. Another 2,000 NATO troops

are in Albania supporting humanitarian efforts there.

About 31,600 U.S. military personnel and 650 U.S. aircraft currently support NATO's Operation Allied Force, and more continue to deploy in support of the air campaign.

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## Area Asian-Pacific Islanders 'celebrate the legacy' at festival



J01 David Nagle photo

Members of the Halla Huhm Korean Dance Studio perform a traditional dance at the third annual Joint Services Asian/Pacific Islander Festival at Bloch Arena last Saturday. More than 1,500 people attended the fair throughout the day, which included cultural displays, martial arts demonstrations and a Samoan dance competition. The festival was held in conjunction with Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month.

## Pacific Fleet ONE on ONE

Rear Adm. Justin D. McCarthy  
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Officer, McCarthy was commissioned as an Ensign in the Supply Corps in 1969. He is a native of Auburn Hills, Mich.

Explain the responsibilities of Fleet Supply.

Our responsibilities include supply policy and programs afloat and ashore (including typical supply department responsibilities such as ship's store, aviation and ship's spare parts, wardroom management, laundries, etc.), transportation, fuel, mail, ordnance and overall logistics planning and readiness. We

partner with N1 on personnel and disbursing issues.

What role does Fleet Supply have in the Chief of Naval Operations' Inter-Deployment Training Cycle (IDTC) revision?

We were given the lead to review all supply inspections and assists conducted during the IDTC. We have recommended a reduction in the number of days our afloat units spend in mandatory supply inspections and assist visits by approximately 60 percent. We are presently working our proposal through the Fleet Review Board process. This dramatic reduction shows how serious we are supporting the CNO's direction to reduce the workload on our Sailors during the IDTC and provide more time for them to be with their families when they are in homeport.

Let's turn to every Sailors favorite topic of discussion - pay. Any news about disbursing?

(Defense Joint Military Pay System) is the hot topic in the disbursing arena.

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